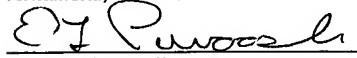I hereby certify that this correspondence is being
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of 21 June 2006, enclosed for filing is the following:

- Amendment;
- Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (Form PTO/SB/08B);
- Document XP-002278320.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-3659. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

A return postcard is also enclosed. Please date stamp and mail the postcard in order to acknowledge receipt of this correspondence.

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